"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

A flue-cured producer called to ask about seeding a plant bed where water from a barrel containing 2, 4-D was used to douse a fire.

Which reminds me that care should be exercised at all times with pesticides. Prevention of contamination is very important.

Pesticides carried over the winter must be stored where they will not freeze.

I've ordered my strawberry plants for spring planting; this is a sure way of getting the variety of your choice.

Red Chief is a relatively new mid-season berry that promises to be real popular.

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Frank Sweet tells me that he's trying to set-up Wednesday, January 19, as Appomattox Day at Electro Ag '72. The group will depart from the high school Vo-Ag Shop at 8:30 a.m.

This can be a worthwhile trip for you.

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The Virginia Agri-Business Council is sponsoring a Friends of Agri-Business Banquet in Richmond, Saturday evening, Feb. 26. The new Secretary of Agriculture, Earl Butz, will deliver the address.

J. A. Nolen is the Appomattox County representative on the ticket sales committee. Tickets are $50.00 per plate.

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Effective January 8, 1972, each seller of sheep, lambs and all cattle weighing over 450 pounds that are destined for immediate slaughter must have a certificate concerning the feeding stilbestrol.

If animals have not received stilbestrol the seller indicates this on the certificate. If animals have been fed stilbestrol the seller must certify that the chemical has been withheld for at least 7 days.

The withdrawal period does not apply to animals receiving the stilbestrol implants.

Sample certificates are being distributed to sheep and cattle producers this week.

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The Farmville Feeder Pig Sale last Thursday had 1047 pigs. Price for 68 pound number 1 pigs was $35 per CWT, for 67 pound number 2 pigs $38.50, for 61 pound medium $28.50 and for 62 pound number 3's $25.50.

The next sale is scheduled for February 3rd.

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The '71 organized cattle sales are now history and we sold 88,-000 for $17 million. This is a pretty good size business.

In Virginia steers averaged $36.50 and heifers $32.30.

Let's take a closer look at home and the Lynchburg sale. In the fall feeder sales we sold 2855 head.

At the first sale steers averaged 475 pounds and brought $38.35 per CWT or $183.52 a head.

Heifers averaged 444 pounds and brought $31.44 per CWT or $139.43 per head.

In the second sale, steers averaged 453 pounds and brought $39.67 per CWT and $180.45 per head. Heifers averaged 418 pounds and brought $32.65 per CWT or $136.31 per head.

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The spring feeder sale is set for Thursday, April 13th. Heifers weighing over 700 pounds will not be accepted. This is because of new health regulations being required by the State VETERINARIAN.

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Hugh Braford was elected for a third term as Director of the Lynchburg Feeder Cattle Sales at the Association's Annual Meeting last week.

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This week we'll be conducting cattle lice control demonstrations on the farms of W.E. Bondurant, Jr. and Hugh Braford.

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PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	
This Month	
This Year	

Tree Growing Plan Helps Land And People

There's more than $1 million in matching funds earmarked for Virginia landowners during the next year, and Appomattox is already sharing in this windfall of cash and long-time benefits both for the land and the people here.

According to Appomattox county forester Warren Taylor, landowners of Appomattox have been given $585 in tree growing funds over the past few months, and this sum will grow to more than $14,000 by July 1, 1972 according to the number of tree planting projects already committed.

It's all a part of Reforestation of Timberlands Program enacted by the Virginia General Assembly of 1971. Money to finance the program comes from a self-imposed tax on the nine using forest industry mat-

Insecticides For Hogs

Dr. Jim Roberts, extension Entomologist, and B. J. Lucado Appomattox Pork Producer, apply an insecticide to the hogs to control hog lice. This is one of a number of entomology test-demonstrations being conducted in Appomattox County.

Lice and Mange control recommendations are available from the County Extension Office.

ched by the public in a like amount from the State General Fund.

Here's how the program works. A landowner gets in touch with county forester Warren Taylor (office number 352-7279) and states his interest in carrying out a forest management program.

The forester looks at the landowner's property and makes recommendations as to what need to be done. Forester Taylor will supervise the project, if the landowner so desires and will likewise check to make sure that matching funds for tree planting are paid promptly to each landowner.

REAP Signup

According to J.P. Alvis, Jr., Chairman of the Appomattox County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, the sign up for the 1972 Rural Environmental Assistance Program is now in progress.

The practices which will be authorized this year will be those concerning the establishment of permanent vegetative cover, planting forestry trees and shrubs, water impoundment reservoirs, improving vegetative cover, improving stands of forest trees, liming farmland, wildlife food plots, habitat or cover, animal wastes storage and diversion facilities, and sediment or chemical runoff control measures. Costs for carrying out these approved practices will be shared with farmers. Further details will be given at the time the farmer files his request at the county ASCS office.

Applications for use spring practices listed above should be filed at the county ASCS office as soon as possible. Applicants are cautioned not to begin work until they have filed for their cost-shares with the county committee. In making this announcement for the Appomattox County ASC Committee, Mr. Alvis emphasized that practices performed under the Rural Environmental Assistance Program by Virginia farmers will be of greater value in solving our conservation and environmental problems.

Silver Dollars Offered In Poster Contest

Five silver dollars will be awarded as first prize in a new poster contest for 5th, 6th and 7th graders at Robert E. Lee Academy. Sponsor is the Appomattox committee of the Central Virginia Speech and Hearing Center. Dr. J. A. Mathews is county chairman.

Five prizes of one silver dollar each and for honorable mention blue ribbons will also be awarded to young artists who best portray, according to the judges, the necessity for good hearing and speech and the necessity for the equipment being sought by the Speech and Hearing Center.

Appomattox County is being asked for $3,000 to purchase testing equipment for the Center as this county's share in a multi-county effort to test hearing and to offer consultation and treatment services for the hard of hearing and those with speech.

Teachers will select the best entries and submit them to the committee for final judging. All entries must be no later than January 20, 1972.

Shirt Tails Tell Tale

Deer hunting season in Appomattox ended January 5, but there are colorful reminders of the season's hunters and their efforts on a wall of J. Kent Hamilton's store, Evergreen.

Twenty deer were tagged and reported at Hamilton's, but there are 42 shirt tails and one complete shirt with names attached for hunters who missed a deer. They're all displayed around a handsome trophy deer head just across the aisle from the post office window.

There's even a dire warning to all hunters attached to a green shirt hanging on a hanger. It reads: "This man lost his whole shirt for changing to another old shirt with no tails on it after missing deer. Beware deer hunters. This shirt once belonged to James Carrico." Carrico has three shirt tails there, too.

Other three time "losers": Walter Carrico, W. O. Slagle, J. C. Hancock, Albert Taylor. These hunters claim two losses each: Billie Curd, Danny Curd, Steve Baker, Donald Dixon, George Farrar. Others remembered on the wall: Coy Williamson, Jimmie Womack, Gordon Staples, Richard Seay, Pok-

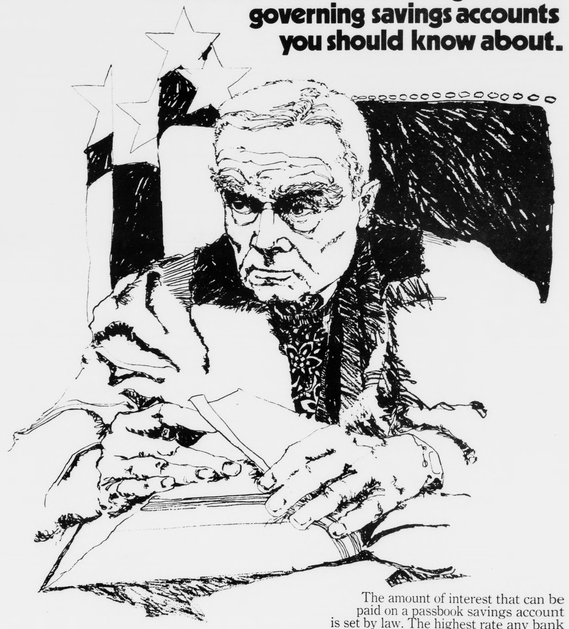
Coy Williamson (2nd from right) is the only hunter in the group to lose a shirttail this season but the other guys are "standins" for friends whose shirttails decorate the wall at the Hamilton Store, Evergreen, a reminder to all that sometimes hunters get that buck and sometimes they don't.

(Above, from left): James St. John, "Stump", Bob Mobley, Coy Williamson and store owner John Kent Hamilton.

ey Mayberry, Bobby J. Harris, Henry Simmons, Barker Crews, Rodger Mayberry, Travis Caldwell, George Taylor, Roger Slagle, O. D. Taylor.

Also, Walter Carrico (no tur-key!) There may be more. Visitors are invited to take a look! By the way, Twyman Mayberry tied for first place with four shirt tails.

There are some Federal regulations governing savings accounts you should know about.



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VPI Seniors Doing Practice Teaching At ACHS

Richard Carter, instructor of Agricultural Education, is shown discussing plans for student teaching with Stuart Vines (center) and Roderick White (right), seniors at V.P.I. & S.U. Mr. Vines and Mr. White are both assigned to the Appomattox County High School Department of Agricultural Education for student teaching during the winter quarter as part of their preparation for becoming an instructor of Agricultural Education.

tart Vines and Roderick ite, seniors at V.P.I. & S.U., have been assigned to the Department of Agricultural Education at Appomattox County High School for student teaching during the winter quarter. The men started their assignment on January 5, and will continue in the department until March 15.

tart Vines is a native of Pittsylvania County and is a graduate of Fluvanna County High School. He was reared on a 225 acre farm, and was active in the livestock aspects of farming in the county. He is currently enrolled in Agricultural Education and will graduate in June.

derick White, who now makes his home in the City of Roanoke, was born in Emporia, Virginia, and has spent most of his life in Southwest Virginia. He has been employed on several farms in that area. Roderick is a graduate of William Fleming High School. He is very active in the Corp of Cadets at V.P.I. & S.U., and is enrolled in the Agricultural Education curriculum. He has participated in college wrestling, and is a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. Upon graduation in June, Roderick White will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the State of Virginia, and will be placed on active duty.

student teaching is a part of the curriculum for becoming an instructor of agricultural education in Virginia. Both men assigned to the Department of Agricultural Education at Appomattox County High School, will become actively involved in all teaching phases of the department. Each student teacher will be working with all-day students as well as adults.

The Department of Agricultural Education in the Appomattox County High School is one of the sixteen teacher training centers for Agricultural Education in the State of Virginia as selected by V.P.I. & S.U. is selected as a training center based on the facilities, achievements, and instructional program provided for the community that it serves.

Supervision for the student teachers will be provided by staff members of the Agricultural Education Department of V.P.I. & S.U. in cooperation with the regular instructors of Agricultural Education at the Appomattox County High School.

HOME TEAMS

PLAY BASKETBALL

by Rosa Abbitt

On Saturday, Jan. 1, Clarence and Mary Abbitt played basketball against Rosa and Margaret Abbitt at home in Spout Spring. Clarence's team was called "Spout Spring". Rosa's team was called "Appomattox." Appomattox beat Spout Spring 110 to 116.

GLADSTONE

Jamey Wright of Fredericksburg, spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Wright.

Margaret Stewart, of Bristol, Va., was house guest of Mrs. Julian Hesson last week.

Misses Mary Paul Wallace, Mrs. John D. Easley and Doris Darnard, of Lynchburg, visited Mrs. W. E. Akers during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sites have returned home after visiting their sons, Dr. James Sites and Col. Joe Sites and their families in Washington, D.C.

Duwayne Carmody has returned to college after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Carmody.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Carmody and son, Mike, have returned home after visiting his mother, Mrs. Sons Carmody of Arkansas.

Mrs. J. W. Wright and Jamey had as their guest for the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Evans Martin and children, Wanda and Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Evans, Jr. and Charles William Evans, of Lovingston; Mrs. Quinton O. Carr and daughters, Judy and Susan of Staunton, Va.; Tamera Gaasbey of Averette College, Danville; and Mrs. Phyllis Goosbey and Miss Martha Wright of here.

Jamey Wright left Friday to return to her position in Fredericksburg, after a week's visit here with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Wright.

Mrs. Grey Hesson, of Maryland, spent the week end with Grey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Hesson.

Mrs. Bea Wallace spent the week end in Lynchburg as guest of Mrs. Mamie Capell.

Mr. Bob Brown is a patient at Lynchburg General Hospital. He continues very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Smoot of Lynchburg, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Burke Smoot.

Mrs. W. A. Wood has returned home after spending several weeks in a nursing home in Lynchburg.

We were sorry to hear of the death last week of Mr. Allen Seay. We extend deep sympathy to his family.

Mrs. W. E. Akers and Mrs. Grey Hesson visited Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Lee Rothgeb at Shipman on Sunday.

Mr. Royal Moore was moved from Lynchburg General Hospital to the University of Va. Hospital in Charlottesville on Saturday where he remains in serious condition.

Recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Taylor was their son, Carl Taylor of New York.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Bell Mundy and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cyrus were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Banton and Mr. and Mrs. Wyatte Pruiet from Madison Heights.

Company Sets Up New Office

Old fashioned charm in a new setting (above)-- the offices of McGrath Construction Co. now on Court Street with antiques from Malcolm Booker's shop furnishing contrast to the modern homes pictured on the wall. Bill McGrath (left) is owner and manager of the firm with Mrs. Kristy Gould (center) as secretary and Mrs. McGrath (right), bookkeeper.

STONEWALL

"But if any man love God, the same is known of him." Cor. 1:8:3.

Miss Shelly Davidson spent the week end with Miss Debbie Tanner.

Mrs. Elsie Caldwell spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell. They were Saturday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Harris to help celebrate Mrs. Carter's birthday. Hope she has many more happy days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davidson and Mr. Crawford Davidson visited Mrs. Annie Horsley last week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler visited Mr. Josh Alvis in the hospital and Mrs. Josh Alvis in her home last Wednesday both are improving. They also visited Mr. Horsley in the Liberty House in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones and family visited Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carson visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Garrett and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Meu Ewers at Concord last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hop Elliott visited her sister, Mrs. Trent in Lynchburg last week.

Mr. S. P. Glover visited in Amherst last Wednesday.

MT. AIRY

"Hear my cry oh God. Attend unto my prayer." Psalm 61:1

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Annie Jones and family Sunday, Jan. 2 were Mr. and Mrs. Pryor, and Mrs. Pryor, Rev. Body Christian, the Board of Deacons and their wives along with Mrs. Pearl Booker and Mrs. Emily Frinking all of the Mt. Airy Baptist Church.

Rev. H. W. Pryor offered the consecration prayer. He prayed a very touching prayer.

Mrs. Annie Jones' children were home recently: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jones and son, Lawrence, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Jones, and Daughters, Charalett and Sherl. Dinner was served by Mrs. Mildred Jones daughter in-law of Mrs. Jones, along with Miss Mary Branch and Miss Annie Christian.

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